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Filed September 25, 2001
Art Unit 2815

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Enclosed please find the Amendment for the above-identified application which we filed in response to the October 9, 2003 Office Action.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

Thank you.
Jessica Feltz
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Applicant(s) : Wolfgang DULTZ et al.
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Examiner : Matthew E. Warren

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TRANSMITTAL OF AMENDMENT AND REQUEST TO EXTEND

SIR:

Please find an Amendment transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application.

This is also a Request pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) by which Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time in which to file a response so that the original three month response period is extended from January 9, 2004 to April 9, 2004.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the extra claim fee of \$258.00 for three independent claims (in addition to three independent claims for which there is no additional fee) and to charge the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) three-month extension fee, which is believed to be \$950.00, to the deposit account number 11-0600 of Kenyon & Kenyon. The Commissioner is also authorized, as appropriate and/or necessary, to charge any additional fees (including any Rule 136(a) extension fees or claims fees, etc.) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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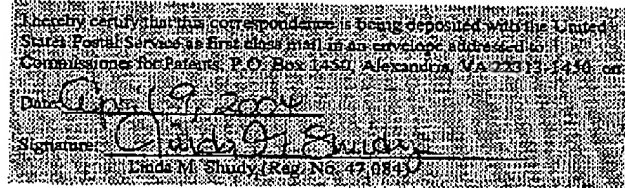
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AMENDMENT

SIR:

In response to the Office Action having mailing date October 9, 2003, please reconsider the above-identified application based on the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.